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The celebrated English Horse

STIRLING,

HAS been advertiſed ſeveral years as a ſtallion, and his pedigree and performance have been fully ſtated: Suffice it now to ſay, that he is among the handſomeſt and beſt bred Horſes in America, and that he won eleven races out of twelve, againſt the beſt horſes of the day; even the famous horſe Hamiltonian paid him a forfeit of 500 guineas. STIRLING's ſtock are generally large and handſome, with fine action, and likely to make capital racers.

STIRLING will ſtand the enſuing ſeaſon at my ſtable in the county of Greenſville, ten miles from Belfield, and will cover mares at Three Guineas and a half the leap, (to be paid at the ſtable door) and 7 Guineas the ſeaſon, which may be diſcharged any time before the firſt day of Auguſt next, by the payment of Five Guineas. Mares inſured (if required) at Ten Guineas, but if parted with the inſurance money forfeited, with one dollar to the Groom in every inſtance. Good paſturage, and ſervants who bring 4 mares, boarded gratis; others at 10s6 per week. Grain furniſhed at the market price, for which the money muſt be ſent. The greateſt attention paid to the mares; but no reſponſibility for accidents or eſcapes. Notes for Seven Guineas (to be diſcharged as above mentioned) muſt accompany the mares. The ſeaſon will commence the firſt day of March next, and end the firſt of Auguſt following.

Nathaniel Rives.

February 15th, 1804. 12awtf.

P. S. All mares producing a certificate of their having won a purſe or ſweepſtake of 200 dollars value, four mile heats, or bred the winner of one, ſhall be covered gratis. N. R.

By virtue of a deed of truſt, executed the fifth day of Auguſt, 1802, by Thomas Piemont to the ſubſcriber, to ſecure the payment of a debt therein ſpecified, amounting to 1054 dollars 21 cents, and intereſt till paid, and the charges attending this ſale, will be ſold, on the 30th day of May next,

THE PLANTATION,

WHEREON the ſaid Piemont reſides, containing 1000 acres of Land, more or leſs, laying on York River, a little below Weſt Point, and three miles from the ſtage road, between New Kent court houſe and Williamſburg. The above ſale is made, moreover, ſubject to ſatisfying in the firſt inſtance, a compoſition of 12s. 6d. in the pound of three judgments which were obtained (previous to his granting ſaid deed of truſt) againſt ſaid Piemont, in the federal court, April term, 1802; the total ſum whereof, by the calculations of the parties in my hands, will amount to 2433 dollars 78 cents, which being ſatisfied on the day of ſale, the parties will give diſcharges in full on copies of ſaid judgments.

For the reſidue of the purchaſe money, after the above claims are ſatisfied, a credit of twelve months will probably be given, as the preſent proprietor may determine on the day of ſale.

JAMES TAYLOR, Truſtee.

N. B. About one fourth of the Land is cleared. On it is a very good two ſtory brick houſe, with convenient out houſes; a mill is adjoining, and oyſters may be taken in the river oppoſite the door. It is thought uſeleſs to mention the other advantages, which are really entitled to notice, becauſe they will be obvious to every beholder.

April 12th, 1804. 12aw6w

NOTICE.

ON the 2d April, 1804, was committed to the jail of Hanover county, a run-away ſlave by the name of AGGY, and ſays that ſhe is the property of Whitehead Ryon, of Goochland county. The owner is deſired to come forward, prove his property, and pay charges, on or before the 2d day of June, or ſhe will be ſold as the law directs.

On the 9th of the ſame month, was committed to the ſaid jail, a run-away by the name of ISAAC, and ſays he is the property of James Sutton, of South Carolina, and purchaſed of James Gordon, Lancaſter county, Virginia. The owner of the ſaid ſlave is requeſted to come forward, pay charges, prove his property, and take him away, or he will be ſold as the law directs.

PETER MASON, Jailor.

Hanover Court-Houſe, } 1aw4w
April 23, 1804. }

THE ſubſcriber is yet deſirous to ſell his valuable tract of LAND, lying in the upper end of Powhatan county, on both ſides of Deep Creek; being 12 miles from Carterſville, 2 from Appamattox River, leſs than one from the great Buckingham road, and 42 from Manchester. The county is well regulated by its police, and ſociable in the manners of its inhabitants.

To theſe local advantages may be added, that the ſoil is fertile and well adapted to the culture of tobacco, grain and graſs; the manſion place healthy, with dwelling and other houſes to accommodate a large family.

It is ſuppoſed to contain 1000 acres, of which 300 are valuable low grounds, 100 reclaimed for cultivation, and the reſt under heavy timber.

Little more need be ſaid to thoſe inclined to poſſeſs a landed eſtate, of eaſy acceſs to Richmond and Peterſburg by the Turnpike and Navigation.

This land will be laid off in two or three convenient lots, and offered at public ſale at Powhatan May court, being the 16th, at 12 o'clock, for 1-4 payable at Chriſtmas next, when poſſeſſion will be given; the remainder in three equal annual payments, to carry intereſt from the time of poſſeſſion, with approved perſonal and real ſecurity.

The land and propoſed diviſions will be ſhewn by Mr. David Maxey, on the premiſes.

Wm. MAYO.

Henrico, March 15th, 1804. 1awtds.

PROPOSALS,

For carrying the Mails of the United States on the following Poſt roads, will be received at the General Poſt Office in Waſhington, until the 15th day of June next, inclusive.

IN VIRGINIA.

44. From Clarkſburg by Buchan Settlement to Randolph c. h. once in two weeks.

Leave Clarkſburg every other Monday at 6 a. m. and arrive at Randolph c. h. by 6 p. m.

Leave Randolph c h every other Tueſday at 6 a m. and arrive at Clarkſburg by 6 p m.

45. From Kenhawa c h. by Point Pleaſant, Galliopolis and the Salt Springs to Chilicotha once in two weeks.

Leave Kenhawa c h. every other Friday at 6 a m. and arrive at Chillicotha on Monday by 10 a m.

Leave Chilicotha every other Monday by 2 p m. and arrive at Kenhawa c h. on Thurſday by 6 p m.

46. From Marietta, Ohio, to Wood c h. once a week.

Leave Marietta every Tueſday at 6 a m. and arrive at Wood c h. by 6 p m.

Leave Wood c h. every Wedneſday at 6 a m. and arrive at Marietta by 6 p m.

47. From Lancaſter c h. to Kilmarnock once a week.

Leave Lancaſter c h. every Monday at 6 a m. and arrive at Kilmarnock by 11 a m.

Leave Kilmarnock every Monday at 1 p m and arrive at Lancaſter c h by 6 p m.

48 From Prince Edward c h. by Leſter's Store, Weeler's Springs and Campbell c h. to New-London once in two weeks.

Leave Prince Edward c h. every other Saturday at 6 a m. and arrive at New-London on Sunday by 6 p m.

Leave New London every other Monday at 8 a m. and arrive at Prince Edward on Tueſday by 6 p m.

IN NORTH CAROLINA.

49 From Danville, Va. to Lenox-Caſtle, North Carolina, once a week.

Leave Danville every Monday at 6 a m. and arrive at Lenox-Caſtle by 6 p m.

Leave Lenox-Caſtle on Tueſday by 6 a m. and arrive at Danville by 6 p m.

The contracts for the routes numbered from 27 to 43 inclusive and from 55 to 69 inclusive, are to be in operation on the 1ſt day of October next, and continue in force for one year. The contracts for the routes numbered from 44 to 54 inclusive, are to be in operation on the 1ſt day of October next, and continue in force until the 31ſt day of March, 1805.

NOTES.

1. The Poſtmaſter general may expedite the mails and alter the times of arrival and departure at any time during the continuance of the contracts, he ſtipulating an adequate compenſation for any extra expenſe that may be occaſioned thereby.

2. Fifteen minutes ſhall be allowed for opening and cloſing the mails at all offices where no particular time is ſpecified.

For every thirty minutes delay (unavoidable accidents excepted) in arriving after the time preſcribed in any contract, the contractor ſhall forfeit one dollar; and if the delay continues until the departure of any depending mail, whereby the mails deſtined for ſuch depending mail loſe a trip, an additional forfeiture of five dollars ſhall be incurred.

4. Newſpapers as well as letters are to be ſent in the mail; and if any perſon making propoſals, deſires to carry newſpapers, other than thoſe conveyed in the mail, for his own emolument, he muſt ſtate in his propoſals for what ſum he will carry with the emolument, and for what ſum without that emolument.

5. Should any perſon making propoſals deſire an alteration of the times of arrival and departure above ſpecified, he muſt ſtate in his propoſals the alteration deſired, and the difference they will make in the terms of the contract.

6. Perſons making propoſals are deſired to ſtate their prices by the year. Thoſe who contract will receive their pay quarterly, in the months of Auguſt, November, February and May, in one month after the expiration of each quarter.

7. No other than a free white perſon ſhall be employed to convey the mail.

8. Where the propoſer intends to convey the mail in the body of a ſtage carriage, he is deſired to ſtate it in his propoſals.

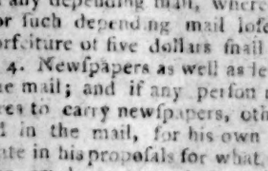
9. The Poſtmaſter general reſerves to himſelf the right of declaring any contract at an end whenever three failures happen which amount to the loſs of a trip each.

10. The contracts for the above routes are to be in operation on the firſt day of October next, and are to continue in force two years.

GIDEON GRANGER,
Poſtmaſter-General.

General Poſt-Office, Waſhington City, February 23, 1804. ept15Je.

The celebrated English Stallion



DRAGON,

Late the property of his Grace the Duke of Bedford, and ſire of Speculator, Tarantula, Jenny, Spinner, Creeper, Phenix, Hoſpitality, &c. will ſtand the enſuing ſeaſon near Farmville, Ten Guineas, and a Dollar to the Groom for each Mare. The ſeaſon will commence the firſt day of March next, and end the firſt of Auguſt following. Extenſive paſturage, of ſuperior quality, will be furniſhed GRATIS, and the greateſt attention paid, but no reſponſibility for accidents or eſcapes. The money will be expected for the ſeaſon of ſuch Mares, as are paſtured, before they are removed, and notes ſent with thoſe that are not to be left with the horſe, payable the firſt of Auguſt next. Apply to

RICHARD KNOWLES,
Agent for
JOHN RANDOLPH.

Bizarre, January 18, 1804.

STAGES

BETWEEN

RICHMOND & STAUNTON.

A LINE of Stages will commence running between Richmond and Staunton on the 18th inſtant. The Stages will leave Richmond every Wedneſday, at 5 o'clock in the morning, and arrive at Staunton on Friday by noon. Leave Staunton every Saturday, at 5 o'clock in the morning, and arrive at Richmond on Monday by noon.

Fare for paſſengers 9 dollars; way paſſengers 8 cents a mile.

Joſeph Grant.

Richmond, April 14th, 1804. 12aw6t.

P. S. Farmville is 8 miles below Prince Edward courthouſe, and 35 from Carterſville. Mares fed, if required.

ARCHDUKE.

LATELY imported from London, was got by Sir Peter Teazle, (the firſt Stallion now in England) his dam Horatia by Old Eclipſe, (undoubtedly the firſt Stallion of his day) his grandam Counteſs by Blank, a famous ſon of the Godolphin Arabian, with many other excellent croſſes. A horſe of better blood than ARCHDUKE was never raiſed: He is full brother to Mr. Teazle and Stamford, both in high repute, and ſo are the whole ſtock. Counteſs, (his grandam) has bred ſome of the beſt horſes that have appeared on the Britiſh turf. She is the dam of Vizard, Coſſear, Achilles, Greybeard, Horatia and Delpini—all capital. This is well known to every gentleman acquainted with the Racing Callenders and General Stud Book of England. ARCHDUKE is a dark brown horſe, full 16 hands high, has a deal of bone with great powers, a good ſhare of beauty, and in the prime of life. He made his appearance on the turf at three years old, and did not run after that year. He won a Sweepſtakes of 100 Guineas each, beating ſeveral good horſes; alſo the Derby Stakes, beating Lord Egremont's Gislebert, Sir F. Handiſh's brother to Spread Eagle, Mr. Heathcoate's Vivaldi, Mr. Cookſon's Expectation, the Duke of Grafton's Vandal, Lord Oxford's Dart, (now his Lordſhip) Lord Groſvenor's colt by Potſo's out of Snipton's ſiſter, and ſeveral other very fine colts. The Derby Stakes are conſidered the firſt in England, and gives the winner great credit. He ſeemed lame ſhortly after and was fired, run two races more with very good horſes, and altho' he was beaten, he came in well. The above is the whole of his racing.

ARCHDUKE will ſtand the enſuing ſeaſon at the Bowling Green, at SEVEN GUINEAS (with a Dollar to the groom) for each mare; which may be diſcharged, any time before the firſt day of Auguſt next, by the payment of FIVE GUINEAS. The ſeaſon will commence on the firſt day of March next, and end the firſt of Auguſt following. A great abundance of good paſturage, *gratis*—boys boarded at 10s6 per week, and corn furniſhed at the market price for mares that are to be fed, for which the money muſt be ſent, or it will not be had. Great attention paid the mares; but no reſponſibility for accidents or eſcapes. Notes for Seven Guineas, to be diſcharged as above mentioned, muſt accompany the mares.

ESCAPE,

IMPORTED from London, will alſo ſtand at the Bowling Green, at THREE GUINEAS (and a half a Dollar) for each mare.—He is a horſe of fine ſize, with ſeveral excellent racing points, and as high bred a horſe as need be wiſhed for. He was got by Precipitate, a horſe of great repute, out of a full ſiſter to the famous Stallion Buzzard. ESCAPE was a horſe of good ſpeed, for which ſee the Racing Callendars.

JOHN HOOMES.

Bowling Green, February 22d, 1804. 1awtowks.

P. S. Mares producing a certificate of their having won a purſe or ſweepſtake of 200 dollars value, 4 mile heats, or bred the winner of one, ſhall be covered gratis. J. H.

At a Court, continued and held for Buckingham county, the 13th day of March, 1804.

Zacharias Taliaferro, Compl't. } In Chancery.
AGAINST
Archibald Conner, Def't. }

ON *the motion of the complainant, by his counſel, and it appearing to the ſatisfaction of the Court, that the ſaid defendant is not an inhabitant of this ſtate: It is ordered and decreed, that unleſs the ſaid defendant ſhall appear here at June court next, and anſwer the bill of the complainant, that the ſame ſhall be taken as confeſſed, and the matter thereof decreed accordingly; and that a copy of this order be published three months ſucceſſively in the Virginia Gazette, and poſted at the front door of the court-houſe of this county.*

A Copy—Teſte, 1aw3m.
ROLFE ELDRIDGE, Jun. D. C.

William McElligott,
TAYLOR,

THANKFUL for the great encouragement he has met with in his line ſince he commenced buſineſs in this city, takes this method to inform his friends and cuſtomers, that he has removed his ſhop to the ſecond ſtory of the houſe, lately the office of the Examiner, on the main ſtreet, near the centre of the city, and nearly oppoſite Robert Gamble and ſon, where the buſineſs will be carried on by himſelf and Mr. Williamſon N. Bean, in company, under the firm of

McElligott & Bean,

who have provided themſelves with hands ſufficient to carry on the buſineſs extenſively, and as they have taken great pains to acquire the lateſt faſhions, they hope, from due attention, to merit encouragement.

Richmond, April 24th, 1804. 2w

Valuable Lands for Sale,

In King and Queen county,

CONTAINING about two thouſand acres, lying on Poropotank creek; and within two or three miles of York river. This land is well timbered and adapted to the growth of Indian corn, wheat, tobacco, &c. Any perſon deſirous of purchaſing the whole or any part of the ſaid land, may know the terms by applying to Major James Barton, or to the ſubſcriber living in Gloucester county.

John Beverly Whiting.

April 17, 1804. 3tp

Advertiſement.

WILL be ſold, to the higheſt bidder, on Saturday the 26th May next, at James Hazelgrove's tavern in the county of Hanover,

Two likely Negro Men,

on a credit of twelve months, the purchaſer giving bonds with approved ſecurity. The ſaid Negroes are to be ſold in compliance with a decree of Hanover court, bearing date the 22d day of February, 1804. Woodfin, &c. againſt John A. Richardſon, executor of John Richardſon, dec.—by

The Commiſſioners.

April 24th, 1804.

For Sale,

That Valuable Eſtate,

Lying in the county of Gloucester, known by the name of

FOXLEY-HILL,

CONTAINING 774 acres, ſituated in the fertile neighbourhood of Cheeſe-cake, on the Piankitank. The improvements are a good Dwelling-Houſe, (52 feet long) Kitchen, Dairy, Meat-Houſe, Stable, and Granary (26 feet long) with a ten foot Shed, and extenſive Kitchen Garden well ſupplied with every thing uſeful in a family, and an excellent Apple and Peach Orchard of the moſt choice ſelections. The ſoil is of an excellent texture, and is particularly adapted to the growth of corn, wheat and tobacco. The ſite on which the houſe ſtands is acknowledged to be one of the moſt healthy ſituations in the lower country, and has all the advantages that can be derived from a ſituation not diſtant farther than one mile from the tide water.

Alſo for ſale, a valuable Grift Mill, in the neighbourhood of Gloucester court-houſe, upon one of the beſt ſtreams in the lower part of this ſtate, with two pair of ſtones, and a bolting cheſt. I deem it unneceſſary to particulariſe all the advantages of this Mill ſituation, as the perſon wiſhing to purchaſe, will view the premiſes.

Any perſon diſpoſed to purchaſe, may know the terms by applying to the ſubſcriber.

James Baytop.

Gloſter county, April 20, 1804. 4w

Ladies' Faſhionable Wigs and Frizzetts,

MADE in the lateſt London and Paris faſhions, in an elegant and ſuperb ſtyle, by Mrs. McKinnon, from London.

Ladies in the country will be accommodated by writing their fancy, for any particular faſhion or pattern, having always the lateſt faſhions from Europe, by directing to her ſhop next door to the Swan Tavern, and oppoſite the ſtore of Mr. McKim. Ladies who apply ſoon may be accommodated, as Mrs. McKinnon propoſes but a ſhort ſtay.

April 27th, 1804. 1m.

Juſt Received,

And for ſale by the ſubſcribers, a large aſſortment of the following Articles, which will be ſold very low for cash, or on a ſhort credit for approved acceptances in Richmond—viz.

A large aſſortment of Calicoes and Chintzes.
A ditto Cotton Cambricks, plain, figur'd and black.
A ditto Silks and Florentines and Silk Keens.
Cotton and Silk Stockings.
Silk and Cotton Umbrellas and Parafols.
Black, blue, yellow and ſtriped Nankeens.
Laces, Edgings and Ribbons.
Tambour'd Lace and Lappet Muſlins.
Silk Gloves, of all colours.
Men's Boys and Children's Hats.
Cotton, Caſſimeres and India Cotton.
Brown Holland and Durants.
Romals, Handkerchiefs, Dimities, &c. &c.

Block & Judah.

April 25th, 1804.

NOTICE,

To the Stockholders of the Marine Inſurance Company of Alexandria.

WHEREAS, under the preſent act of incorporation of this company, the Directors do not conceive themſelves at liberty to extend their inſurances to Houſes, Goods and Houſehold Furniture, againſt FIRE, and believing it would be greatly to the benefit of the Company to make ſuch inſurances: The Preſident and Directors of the ſaid Marine Inſurance Company have therefore determined to call a meeting of the ſaid Stockholders, to be held on the ſecond Tueſday in June next, at the Court-Houſe in Alexandria, to conſider of a propoſition then to be laid before them, of petitioning Congreſs at their next meeting, to engraft an additional clauſe on their preſent charter, authoriſing them to inſure houſes, houſehold furniture and goods, wares and merchandize againſt Fire.

By Order of the Preſident and Directors.

J. B. Nickolls, Secry.

Inſurance Office, April 25, 1804.

Form of a Power to Vote by Proxy.

I, ———, do hereby empower ——— ———, for me and in my name, to attend a meeting of the Stockholders of the Marine Inſurance Company of Alexandria, to be held in Alexandria aforeſaid, on the ſecond Tueſday in June next, and for me, and in my name, to agree or diſagree to the propoſition of extending inſurance to houſes, houſehold furniture, and goods, wares and merchandize, as ſhall appear moſt adviſable.

To be be ſubſcribed by two witneſſes.

April 24. tp12Je

The Virginia Gazette.

—RICHMOND—

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1804.

☞ MERCATOR is received, and shall appear in our next.

For the VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

CANDIDUS—No. XIV.

CONCERNING THE BANK OF VIRGINIA.

After Mercator has persuaded himself that the merchants are prepared to embrace his ideas of a conspiracy, he thus proceeds:

"*The want of banks in Fredericksburg, Petersburg and Richmond, has long been a subject of complaint; you have it in your power to remedy the evil. Establish banks in each of those places. No law of Virginia can prevent the emission of post notes, payable to A or order, which are as current as those made payable to bearer, and it is worthy of remark, that Judge Tucker seems to think notes may be issued payable to A or bearer. The objections which I have here urged against the establishment of private or* merchants' banks, *admit of short and satisfactory answers.*"

I do not now intend to make extensive remarks concerning subjects or questions, which have no relation to the bank of Virginia. The opinions of Judge Tucker certainly suited the political state of things, as well as the convenience of merchants before the legislature had authorised the establishment of a bank, and if the merchants at every town in Virginia had created a fund, for the purpose of circulating notes payable to A, B or order, according to that opinion, no reasonable man would have condemned them. Every body would have discovered the general advantage to commerce, and of course to society, and there would have been no complaint. Even a prosecution, if one had been instituted, would have been unpopular, and the officer for the government would have found it difficult to obtain his object. Years, and years, have rolled on, and nothing of the sort has been attempted, or even, until lately, suggested. The merchants were satisfied with the state of things which existed, and so some of them would have been, for twenty years more, if no law had passed to establish a bank.

The idea which Mercator has published, is not a new one. He is not the first who has suggested it. At the last session, two or three days before the dissolution, after some members of the senate had done their utmost to destroy the bill, by their alterations and speeches, the plan of a post-note-bank, like these which Mercator recommended, was secretly agitated.—Information was given to the house—in consequence of which, one of the members with an independence and in a style which did credit to his political and literary character, asked leave immediately to bring in the bill to prevent the circulation of such notes, and informed the house that such a scheme was contemplated in Richmond. Whereupon another member rose and declared in the house, that although such a scheme had been contemplated, it had been abandoned. The motion on that account was withdrawn.

It is not necessary to ascertain whether the law now in force, is inadequate to the design for which it was passed or not. Because the legislature will certainly have a right to make one to please themselves, and it is reasonable to expect, when they consider that the only objection which is alledged against the law for a general bank, is the legislative influence which is reserved thereby—and that the schemers who would establish an unauthorised post note bank, are the only persons who make the most noise and objection to it, 'tis likely that the circulation of such notes would be very speedily stopped. The reader will recollect, that the legislature will have the power, as well as all the other circumstances, and at the same time to reflect upon the law as it is.—Revised Code, page 16.

"1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly, That it shall not be lawful for any person to offer in payment, a private bank bill or note for money, payable to bearer; and whoever shall offend herein, shall not only forfeit to the informer ten times the value of the sum mentioned in such bill or note, but may be apprehended by warrant of a justice, and, upon due proof of the fact made to him, or upon his acknowledgment thereof, be bound to the good behaviour, or if he afterwards offend in the like manner, it shall be deemed a breach of the condition of the recognizance.*"

Mercator, after offering some explanations, recommending the establishment of a post-note bank, makes the following partial, and therefore deceptious calculations:

"*Any gentleman who can take the trouble of calculating, the advantages secured to the state, by the 11th and 12th sections of the state bank bill, the 3000 shares belonging to it, at the expiration of nine years, will only have cost as follows, viz. if the dividends of the bank amounted to*

9 per cent. 3000 shares would cost	$ 108,600
10	81,600
11	54,600
12	27,600
13	600

"*If the legislature will not be satisfied with the advantages of these provisions, I am at a loss to know what can satisfy them.*"

From this it would seem, that according to the charter, the commonwealth of Virginia would in a short time gain their capital for nothing. If this had been the real state of the case, there could not be any great objection to it. The charter for such an establishment, is worth the whole sum of the three hundred thousand dollars at once. But the legislature have thought proper to take shares, and at the same time, have appropriated the best fund which belongs to the government to pay their subscription in a short time—I mean the merchant tax.

It is computed, that one year with another, the merchant tax will produce 50,000 dollars. For the sake of argument, I will take that sum as correct. This tax is payable in April by the merchants, and ought forthwith to come into the treasury. But it may be delayed until October. So that I will assume the first of October, as the date for calculation. The commonwealth will owe,

1804—October 1.	$ 300,000
And will pay	50,000
	250,000
1805—Oct. 1. Interest at 4 per cent.	10,000
	260,000
Dividend of 10 per cent.	50,000
	230,000
Will pay	50,000
	180,000
1806—Oct. 1. Interest at 4 per cent.	7,200
	187,200
Dividend for one year,	30,000
	157,200
Will pay	50,000
	107,200
1807—Oct. 1. Interest at 4 per cent.	4,280
	111,480
Dividend for one year,	30,000
	81,480
Will pay	50,000
	31,480

Thus it seems that four years of the merchant tax, and the dividends upon the state's shares for the same, at 10 per cent. will discharge the debt of the state. All the complaint which can be made is, the difference of paying interest between 4 and 6 per cent. which will be something more than 10,000 dollars—and even this is no loss to the company, because the directors are allowed to issue notes at the same rate of multiplication upon the shares of the state as if the cash was really paid in; so that the company, instead of being losers, as some pretend, will be gainers, the whole amount of interest, more than they would gain if the 300,000 were paid at once.

Hence, therefore, it would be advantageous to the bank, if neither the merchant tax nor any other fund had been appropriated to this purpose; because as long as the debt of the state is unpaid, the company will gain 4 per cent. and will not be checked on that account in issuing notes. Whenever it shall be paid, the directors will not be able to issue a single note more, and the company will lose the 4 per cent. which is at the rate of 12,000 dollars per year.

These things are as evident as the existence of light; and yet Mercator has pretended, that the company are greatly imposed upon by the legislature, that it is an oppression to take so many shares, without paying any money, at the low interest of 4 per cent.—so that the commonwealth, in 10, 11 or 12 years, will have her shares for nothing. It is not possible that we should all see things thro' the same medium, of course, I shall not further attempt to enforce my opinion. But it appears to me, that the company could dispense with the receipt of the merchant tax altogether, and would likewise pay the dividends to the public as they may be acquired, so as to retain the right of drawing the whole interest, that thereby they would gain 12,000 dollars per year. It is too plain to admit of a question. Surely the bank may issue notes for 4,500,000 dollars, as soon as the subscriptions are made and paid in. Upon this it will be entitled to interest in their dealings, and at the same time it will be also entitled to interest upon the 300,000 due for the commonwealth's subscription. When the commonwealth shall pay it off, the company will get no more interest; nor will they be allowed to issue any more notes than they will be allowed to issue, before a single dollar is paid.

Reader!—compare these truths with the deceptions which Mercator has published. If you believe me, you must either consider, that he wants candor or capacity to do justice to the subject which he has undertaken. To you and to me, 'tis of no consequence, whether his error is imputable to the head or to the heart. My design has been to shew the truth, and I defy Mercator, or any other writer, to say, that I have violated it in a single instance. I here take leave of Mercator, and will make some remarks concerning an important and well known fact.

It appears that the price of tobacco has fallen. Some of the enemies of the bank pretend, that this circumstance has happened, in consequence of large preparations of money for the bank. Others, at the same time, industriously circulate an idea, that there will be little or no money paid in for shares in the bank on that account, and that all which may be paid in will be inactive, because there will not be enough to commence the operations of the bank. If the first of these circumstances exists, it proves that the bank will certainly be forthwith carried into operation, with nearly the whole capital; because it is understood, that the produce annually exported, amounts to seven millions of dollars. Now, as only three hundred thousand dollars are required to put the bank in operation, the allegation, that tobacco has fallen on account of taking only this sum out of circulation, proves, either that there are immense resources arranged for the bank, or that the people who can yearly sell produce for seven millions of dollars, are extremely improvident, if they cannot spare from this great annual resource (without other aids) the small dividend of 300,000 dollars, which is about one-twenty-fourth part of the whole. The opponents and calumniators may say what they please upon this subject. But it must be evident to every man of common sense, that the appropriation of about 4 per cent. of the annual resources of the country, ought not to have such an influence on the price of tobacco, as is contended for. The fall of tobacco, must therefore proceed from other, and very different causes—either existing in Europe, or proceeding from the combination of purchasers, for the purpose of making advantageous speculations.

Having formerly said, that merchants were justifiable, in purchasing as cheaply, and selling as dearly, as they could, no imputation is intended against them on this account. I think it highly probable, that such a combination may, at this time, be formed from two motives: the first is, to gain by the fall on tobacco; the other is, to excite a prejudice, with the people of the country, against the bank, so as to prevent subscriptions, and thereby get the shares themselves. But it will be all in vain. The reader will be fully convinced, that there has been a combination, if he places any confidence in the piece subscribed Mercator; but the reasons which are alledged, are so feeble, that no certain conclusion can be drawn. A few people, who at this time are in distress, will be obliged to bear the temporary evil. If a proper spirit is pursued, so that the bank shall go into vigorous operation, no such future combination can be made, or will be attempted. If the reader has any doubt, nothing ought, more strongly, to operate in favor of the institution, than this very fact, which is urged against it. Every man then, who is entitled to credit, may, by the instrumentality of the bank, become, whenever he pleases, a purchaser of commodities. The combination of a few, to reduce the price below that, which the course of trade will permit, will excite the enterprize of others, who being thus brot into the market, may become shippers, and may likewise become competitors in the foreign markets for selling.—Prudence will therefore dictate to the exporters, to give as much as they can afford, because it will prevent greater competition, both in the purchasing and selling markets.

At present, the exporter regulates his conduct by circumstances. He does not govern his purchases altogether by the prices of the foreign markets; but he ascertains, as well as he can, how much competition he is likely to have in his purchases—and according to that, he will reduce his prices.

Will any man, of common understanding, complain of an exporter, who wants one hundred hogsheads of tobacco, because he purchases at 30s. per 100—when he knows that the prices in Europe will justify 40s. or 45s.? Surely not. The want of competition operates to his advantage, and he not only wisely, but honorably avails himself of it. Perhaps something of this sort now exists.—Tobacco, it seems, has fallen. The planters may complain, according to their disappointment. Some of the enemies to the bank tell them, that it is because all the money is locked up for that purpose; though others will, at the same time, declare, that the first instalment will not be collected, which is only one twenty-fourth part of our annual produce.

The fall in the price of tobacco, I admit to be an evil; and I trust, that it is the very last time, when such an one may be expected from scarcity of money. It ought not to be imputed to preparations for the bank, nor to those who take advantage of accidental circumstances, and thereby increase their profits by purchasing cheaply.—But it is imputable, either to the state of the European market, or to those political zealots, who, for twenty years, have deluded the people with their theories and dreams, concerning this important subject.

People of Virginia!—the important period is at hand. You are called upon to decide between national importance and insignificance, between prosperity and dependance. Behold, I beseech you, the anticipated prosperity! behold the rich harvests of future happiness and national greatness!—compare the present state of things with that which is foretold, and endeavor to ascertain whether those anticipations are to be procured by low, grovelling, petty schemes, which, when accomplished, leave nothing for the mind to justify.

The man who will open his eyes, and examine the future, will see the whole prospect, illuminated, with the most resplendant beams of light. Let the same man look back to the dark days of prejudice and error, when truth and reason were compelled to yield and retreat, before the terrific and destroying clamor of enthusiastic madness!—yes, madness, which in the garb of *political principle*, has robbed this country of incalculable millions, and has made the people and the policy, the objects of ridicule and gainful speculation.

CANDIDUS.

For the VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

Mr. DAVIS—

SIR,

By publishing in your paper paper the following reply to a pamphlet entitled "Political Truth," and wrote under the signature of Virginius, you will oblige, your's, &c.

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Imitatio vitæ—Speculum consuetudinis—Imago veritatis.
CICERO.

Every occupation in society, says Virginius, should be regulated by the rules of reason and common sense. This assertion is very just, but very improperly applied in defence of one of the most injurious vices that ever crept into the vortex of a depraved community. The academical form of reasoning is, first assert, and then prove. This appears to have been your form; but, alas! your proofs are like a rope of sand. The purport of your pamphlet is, to censure the legislature for enacting a law to prevent the licentious practice of gaming, for punishing the professed gamester as a pest to society, and for exposing to public view the duplicity of the pick pocket. I shall just notice your introduction, which is the quintessence of sophistical duplicity. "Influenced by a desire to promote political truth and establish public justice, the writer invites fair and candid investigation." Sir, I will accept of your invitation. "After the following pages have been attentively considered, the writer anticipates, that there will be few to censure, and none to condemn him." You are out, Mr. Virginius, in your calculation; although you have both shuffled and cut, you have forgot the run of the cards, or you would not have anticipated a good hand. You have shuffled your arguments from one nation to another, and cut assunder truth and justice, to open the door of licentiousness for the greatest of strolling impostors—the lazy, lying, swearing, cheating gamester, whose bodily powers and mental faculties might be usefully employed in the national building, either as a mechanical or technical character. At the close of your introduction, you say, "ask no more than truth." You are a generous gamester; you have given much more than you ask. You say, "How few are there who have the hardihood to throw off the disguise, and speak the language of experience and truth. This task shall now be mine." The whole of your production contradicts this. It is incompatable with the principles of gamesters to throw off the disguise and speak the language of experience and truth. You say, that "your pamphlet was published for the purpose of introducing a change of opinion and legislation, in relation to one of the incurable propensities of human nature." Have you really the vanity to suppose, that the state legislators are weak enough to be influenced by your incoherent dogmatism? Were they to read your POLITICAL FALSEHOODS, (for that is the title you ought to have given your pamphlet) the arguments would only appear to them like an inundation of bubbles. Gaming, you say, "is a propensity which seems to have been appurtenant to man's disposition, from the remotest ages of antiquity, and has manifested itself in every region, in every age, in every station and rank of life, embracing all nations, countries and climes, from the most frigid to the most torrid; all conditions of persons, from tender infancy to feeble and sinking age; the ignorant savage, the ruthless barbarian, the scientific scholar and the experienced statesman." This is your favorite argument; it is several times repeated in your Political Falsehoods. What superficial reasoning! what a jargon of words, without one grain of common sense! The same argument might, with equal propriety, be made use of to prove, that murder is instinct; and from this mode of reasoning, the legislature might be censured for enacting a law to punish the felon who has committed murder. Murder was committed at a more early period than you can prove gaming to have existed. Witness Cain, who killed Abel. It has manifested itself in every region. It has been committed by the American savage, as well as the European sage. The annals of every age are stained with characters of scarlet memory. Every station and rank of life blushes for the honor of the human name. The sceptre, the crown, and the sacred desk, as well as the cobler's stall, have been stained with human blood. The scholar and the statesman have likewise added their names to the long list of murderers. It is plain to a demonstration, from your mode of reasoning, that murder is as much appurtenant to human nature as gaming. "Indeed," you say, "there are many such jaundiced minds," &c. Your mind must be enveloped in the last stage of the jaundice, called the black jaundice, or you would have perceived that gaming is not a natural propensity, nor the result of original organization, but the offspring of evil communications, educated in the school of depravity. Propensities that are appurtenant to human nature are visible at a very early period of life. Two or three of the most forcible and simple kind are, hunger, thirst, cold, heat, &c. which probably happen to, and operate alike, upon all; but if the mind is completely the creature of sensation, uniformity of temper would be the consequence. To enlarge upon all the absurdities contained in your pamphlet, would require a large volume. For the sake of brevity, I shall omit such glaring errors as will cause all who read your pamphlet (except those with jaundiced minds) to join with me in declaring, that they are false and purgatory. After asserting that gaming is coeval with our being, and fostered by the hand of Providence, you put the following interrogatives: "Can the wisdom and energy of man advise any thing which shall stay or change the course of Providence? Is it not impious to adopt regulations which are intended to speak in language contradictory to the decrees of heaven? And is not this offence committed when frail weak mortals shall endeavor, by their short-sighted schemes, to change its immutable decrees?" If gaming is of such a sacred and permanent nature; if it is the immutable decree of heaven, would it not be sinful in a wife to exclaim against her husband's conduct, when he has been at a gaming table and lost the money with which he should have clothed his naked children, and fed them when crying for bread? Would it not be just in him to say in reply, Why will you rail against the omnipotent and holy law of gaming? Why will you attempt to change the course of providence? It is impious in you to attempt to regulate my conduct, by persuading me to refrain from gaming, because it tends to change the immutable decrees of heaven. "The reader," you say, "must not understand from what has been said, that the writer of these pages is a gamester." Astonishing that you should be ashamed to acknowledge your conformity to the immutable decrees of heaven. "It is admitted that gaming ought to be restrained by reasonable modifications." We all know, and you likewise acknowledge, "that the law-givers allow gaming to a limited extent." But how unreasonable and how presumptive it were in the legislature to modify or limit the "immutable decrees of heaven" without consulting Mr. Virginius! You are not only blessed with the legislative knowledge of Lycurgus and Solon, but of Moses also. You are a prophet to foretell. "After a while, there will be none to inform, none to arrest, none to prosecute, none to give testimony, and none to execute, unless indeed a solitary individual, spurning popular contempt, shall encounter the opposition and enmity of mankind." We may expect, "after a while," to see Citizen ***** marching at noonday with a lanthorn in his hand, (like old Diogenes when he went to find an honest man) to a caliginous cellar, proceeded by ******\

he has not been guilty of an action, which would disgrace that profession. C. D. HOPKINS.

For the VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The author of the piece subscribed, A Friend to Youth, regards it necessary, to inform the public, that the sentiments expressed by him relative to the characters of the gentlemen of the Drama were not intended in any manner to reflect upon their profession, the merit of which he is highly sensible, but to benefit the youth of Richmond.

On Monday the Richmond Races commenced over the Fairfield Course, when a Sweepstakes, 2 mile heats, value 1100 dollars, was run for by Mr. Tayloe's horse Top Gallant, Mr. Mosby's mare Amanda, and Col. Selden's Mare Lavinia. The first heat was run in 3m. 46s.—the second heat in 3m. 54s.

John Tayloe's bay horse Top Gallant,	1—1
Wade Mosby's bay mare Amanda,	2—2
Miles Selden's bay mare Lavinia,	3—dis.

On the same day, the Richmond Jockey Club Cup was run for, 2 mile heats, five horses started, and won by Mr. Bland's horse Young Coriander. The first heat was run in 3m. 52s—the second heat in 3m. 54s.

NEW-YORK, April 21.

POSTSCRIPT.

Last night arrived here the ship Fanny, capt. Taylor, in 32 days from Greenock. We have received London and Liverpool papers to the 15th ult. and Glasgow papers to the 17th ult. but at too late an hour to give any more than marine extracts. Nothing of moment had transpired since our former advice. The king on the 13th, "continued to recover."—No attempt had been made to invade England. No fresh light thrown on the conspiracy, though much is said on the subject. Bonaparte was again expected at Boulogne. Pichegru was arrested—Moreau in the temple. An expedition has sailed for Boulogne, and very heavy firing heard after their arrival. Lord Moira was to command an expedition to Holland. The embargo was taken off. Details to-morrow.

On a perusal of the papers by the Packet, we do not discover any thing of moment. The London Morning Chronicle of the 10th says, "There were yesterday a report that the French had gained possession of Elsineur. We made the most particular enquiries as to the source of this information, but we could trace it to authentic quarter. That an alarm has subsisted for some time of the hostile designs of the chief consul against Denmark, is certain; and this has naturally been heightened by the circumstance of the embargo laid on all vessels to the North Seas; but we suspect that the rumour is unfounded, though it is certain that all the letters of Holland, as well as Hamburg, have countenanced the apprehension. The fact is irreconcileable with any notion of true policy on the part of the chief consul, as an attack upon Denmark would necessarily force the emperor of Russia to take a part in the war against France.

"The embargo on all vessels destined to the ports in the Baltic, &c. was yesterday extended to all vessels clearing out for Ireland. What can be the object of this measure? Is there a serious dread of British property falling into the hands of the enemy, that an interdict is put upon all trade with the countries which are likely to be overrun? If the danger indeed be so imminent, it is fit that the most vigorous steps should be taken for our protection; and we lament to see that in a moment like the present, the attention of our ministers seems to be occupied with measures so curious and futile as the present.

"Whatever foundation there may be in truth for the alarm of an attack upon Denmark, and the capture of the town of Elsineur, it had the effect yesterday towards the close of the market, of sinking the funds about a half per cent."

Arrived, ships Devotion, Duplex, Canton; Alleghany, Coffin, Calcutta, 130 days; Harriott, Perkins, Turk's Island, 22; Washington, Liddle, Amsterdam, 65; Elizabeth, Larson, Havanna, 17; Orlando, Marschalk, Point Petre, 20; Hannah, Ryan, Bristol, 109; Fanny, Taylor, Greenock, 32; brigs Lydia, Stodder, Basseterre, 31; Betsy, Drake, Bermuda, 16; Industry, Butman, Point Petre, (Gua.) 30; Adventure, Chapman, Antigua, 18; Cruger, Barry, Isle of May, 62; Charlotte, ———, Cayenne, 33; sch'rs Rachael, Stevens, Tortolla, 20; Republican, Briggs, Savannah, 9; Three Sisters, Sanders, Yarmouth, (N. S.) 10; Fanny, Lovett, St. Johns, (N. S.) 29; sloops Union, Fairbairn, New-Smyrna, 15; Polly and Betsy, ———, Turks' Island, 14; Elizabeth, Decoster, Havanna, 12.

Ship Sarah and Eliza, Holland, is safe arrived at Cork, from this port, after a short passage.

Schooner Kelly, Reevard, has arrived at Port-au-Prince, from Charleston.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.

Yesterday arrived, the ship John and Alice, capt. Dunlevy, from Greenock, and has politely handed us a Clyde Commercial List of the 17th of March, and a Liverpool paper of the 14th, containing London news of the 12th, from which we have only time to extract the following:

LONDON, March 12.

An expedition sailed on Thursday evening against one or more of the enemy's ports, which it is confidently believed we can hermetically seal up by sinking a number of large vessels, deeply and heavily laden, in the mouth of them. Boulogne is the port which can be so sealed up, and the thousand and one gun-boats it contains, thereby rendered useless. On Thursday evening, several large ships, consisting of two sixty-fours, some frigates and bombs, with several gun brigs, shaped their course for Boulogne. A very heavy firing was heard at Dover the whole of Friday; towards the evening it was more heavy, and the houses at Dover were shaken by it; it continued during part of yesterday. It is supposed that the expedition which sailed on Thurday evening was engaged in accomplishing its object. The large ships which have sailed are, it is said, loaded with stones, and these stones united together by iron bars and chains, so as to form one solid mass—and these are to be scuttled side by side, so as to lay the foundation for an embankment of sand, in the same manner as the French themselves succeeded by means of cones at Cherbourg. The whole of this will be done under the cover of our blockading squadron. The immediate good to be derived from it is, that it will give our ships increased depth of water in approaching the port, and shelter them by a concentrated fire of bombs, to burn the whole force assembled.

March 11.

"His majesty is considerably better to-day than he has been since the beginning of his illness."

March 12.

"His majesty continues to recover."

(Signed by the four physicians.)

The intelligence which has been for some time circulated of the sailing of the French fleet from Toulon, is repeated on the authority of letters brought by the Lisbon mail of Saturday, and of one received from our squadron off Ferrol. At Cadiz it was generally believed that the enemy's fleet put to sea on the 23d of January. No official communication of this event has reached the admiralty; and we have been favored this morning with the perusal of letters from Ferrol, which positively state that the French ships were still in Toulon on the 14th ultimo.

By our Deal letters of this morning, we learn that a most tremendous firing was kept up at Boulogne yesterday, the object of which is supposed to have been the destruction of the flotilla of the enemy at that port.

A report has obtained, that Lord Moira is to command an expedition to Holland. We cannot pledge ourselves for the accuracy of this statement. *London Packet.*

Protestant Episcopal Church.

TUESDAY the 22d inst. is the day appointed for the annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state.

May 1, 1804.

Foreign Intelligence.

PARIS, February 20.

TRIBUNATE.

Presidency of Joubert—Sitting of Feb. 17.

The Tribunate met at a quarter before two.

A Secretary read the minutes of the former sitting which were approved.

The President—"You shall have an opportunity of being heard, but you must not interrupt the order of the day."

The President then read a letter from the Secretary of state, which announced, that three Orators of the Government were directed to make a communication to the Tribunate.

In a few moments the Counsellors, Treilhard, Lacuee, and Fleurieu, were introduced.

Citizen Treilhard spoke.

Joubert, the President, replied in the following terms:—

"*Citizens, Counsellors of State, and Orators of the Government.*

"When a great Empire, after long struggles, is at last placed on its basis, what can the efforts of enemies, or the delirium of passions accomplish against it? If our first thought is always for the people, must it not also embrace the chief they have chosen, and whom our affection, as well as our reason, would daily call to the supreme rank, and not France already invested him with a power equal to her confidence? But what an epoch is this for history? What a lesson for Nations! The French made no call on account of a perjured Government, but to their courage. The enemy's Government, however, organized assassination, and to complete the evil, we find involved in their plots, a name which has long been accompanied with illustrious recollections. Citizens, Soldiers, Functionaries, we shall answer to our own time, to future ages, and to history, which never has had so important events to relate, and which, notwithstanding, awaits new prodigies. We all answer for the life of Bonaparte, whose existence secures to France her glory and prosperity."

The Tribunate ordered the Report of the Grand Judge, and the President's speech to be printed.

The President—"I consider myself as speaking the sentiments of the Tribunate, when I propose that they should wait on the First Consul, to express the horror which such an attempt excited in their minds, and to felicitate him on his escape from the danger which threatened him."

This motion was unanimously agreed to.

Moreau.—"Citizen President, I desire to be heard."

President.—"I thought you had waved speaking."

Moreau.—"You have heard the Orators of the Government—you have this morning read the order published by the Governor of Paris. Both these publications are in part directed against Gen. Moreau. I cannot see without the greatest sorrow that so much pains have, for a long time, been taken to calumniate a man who has rendered important services to the Republic, and who has not at this moment the liberty of defending himself.—I declare to the whole nation that my brother is innocent of the atrocities ascribed to him. Let him have the opportunity of justifying himself, and he will clear himself from those imputations. I request in his name, in my own, in the name of his afflicted family, that his trial be conducted with the greatest solemnity. I request that he may be tried before one of the ordinary tribunals; it will be easy for him to prove his innocence. I affirm that all that has been stated is an infamous calumny."

Curee.—"The emotion which our colleague feels is just."

Moreau.—"It is not an emotion of tenderness, it is the expression of truth and indignation.

[Citizen Moreau left the Tribune.]

Curee resumed.—"He speaks for his brother. What upright mind has not approved the emotion which hurried away his feelings? A great conspiracy is announced, and is about to become the subject of legal investigation. The defence of General Moreau shall have before the Tribunals all the latitude, all the freedom, all the solemnity of which so great a cause is susceptible. But what ought you to do, if not to shew a desire (and I am sure your desire is shared by the Government) that the General should be found innocent of an accusation which interests the internal and external safety of the Republic, and therefore ought to be carefully investigated and judged, whatever may be the services of the man involved in it?"

Citizen Treilhard wished to address the Tribunate.

President.—"I must observe to you, Citizen Orator of the Government, that no proposition has been made, that there is no question under consideration. You, however, may speak."

Treilhard.—"Citizens, the speaker who preceded at this tribune him you now hear, has done what he thought due to the connections which unite him to General Moreau. Were I not impressed with this consideration, I should say that the zeal of that member was manifested with somewhat too much haste. Had his sensibility permitted him to listen tranquility to the report of the Grand Judge, which I read, he would have seen that it was proposed to send the persons accused before the tribunals. The Government has too uniformly observed a scrupulous observance of the law, for any one to have a right to suppose that there is any intention of deviating from it. Even the promptitude with which you are informed of what has been done, demonstrates the value which the Government attaches to your's and the public's opinion. The ends of justice do not authorise the present publication of the documents. They have been communicated to the Senate and the Council of State for secret deliberations. I shall only add one word, General Moreau, his relations, his friends, shall have the most ample latitude in making his defence. There is no one who does not anxiously desire that he may not be found guilty."

The Tribunate ordered Citizen Treilhard's observations to be printed. The sitting then rose.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

Friday, March 9.

Their Lordships met at a few minutes after three o'clock. As soon as the lord chancellor had taken his seat on the wool sack, earl Fitzwilliam addressed their lordships nearly to the following purport:

"My Lords, previous to the opening of the commission, which I understand has been issued for giving the royal assent on this day, to certain bills on your lordships table, I think it my duty to submit a few observations to your lordships. On an occasion which involves not only the regularity of the proceedings of so important a branch of the legislature, as that filled by your lordships, but even the vital principles of the constitution, it is incumbent on us, my lords, to proceed with the greatest caution and deliberation. A commission for declaring the royal assent, can only be issued by the authority of his Majesty; the evidence of which authority is the King's sign manuel, and as a consequence of that, the subsequent affixing of the great seal. These acts, my lords, would justify us in presupposing, that his Majesty is in that state of desirable convalescence, that renders him competent to such an exercise of the royal prerogative.—I must confess, my lords, that it would afford me the highest satisfaction, if I were well assured that such was the fact; but the information which I have obtained from very high authority, does not entitle me to draw any such conclusion, how much soever I, in common with your lordships, and the whole nation, desire it.

I wish, my lords, to have the fact of his majesty's recovery put beyond all doubt. I wish, that on a subject so intimately connected with the royal authority, and the spirit of the constitution, that it were established to our satisfaction, as on a former occasion, at your lordship's bar. I wish to have some better authority than the reports of the physicians. I must confess, my lords, that those reports do not satisfy my mind: they are as far as my poor understanding will enable me to judge of them, drawn up in a language ambiguous and unsatisfactory. They flatter, indeed, the wishes and expectations of his people for his majesty's recovery; but they do not flatter us with the hopes of a rapid amendment. Even the bulletin of the day, my lords, is not satisfactory. It does not go the length of declaring, that his majesty is convalescent. I trust, my lords, that on a subject, involving, as I said before, the form and the essence of the constitution, that we shall proceed with that circumspection that is always expected in the proceedings of this house. To the noble lord who presides in this house, I would observe, that he is placed in a situation of high and dangerous responsibility; and I am persuaded that he has acted with all that deliberation and caution that is incumbent on him.—I hope he will be able to satisfy you, my lords, and the country, that his exercise of the royal authority proceeds from a sound and discreet source; and that in what the noble and learned lord has officially done, he has acted upon better grounds than I, my lords, or the public, have before us."

The Lord Chancellor—"My lords in rising to make a few observations to what has fallen from the noble earl, I entreat you to believe that I am actuated by the sincerest respect for that noble peer. Independent of the personal regard I may be supposed to entertain for him, the important nature of the subject upon which he has addressed you, entitles him to particular attention from me; a subject which, coming even from any person who was not a peer of this house could not have failed of engaging my most serious consideration. I will then state for the satisfaction of that noble earl, and I should hope for the satisfaction of the country, that on so important a subject as the bringing down of a royal commission to this house, I have proceeded with all due caution. My lords, I proceed with fear & trembling, & I had rather this right hand were cut off, than that my official duty should have had either a slight or superficial sanction.—My lords, I did not think that in so momentous an affair, I should be solely guided by the reports and opinion of those who were, from professional experience, perhaps, best qualified to pronounce on the state of his majesty's health, but I thought it necessary to have a personal interview with the king. That interview I obtained, and, in the censure of it, had much serious discussion with his majesty, on the subject matter of many of the bills to which he was called to give the royal assent. The result of that conversation, and those discussions, was, to impress my mind with the thorough conviction, that his majesty was competent to the personal exercise of all the functions of the royal authority and that in bringing down the commission, I act in obedience to his commands, and in discharge of my duty, in a fair and conscientious discharge of it. My lords, much as I am bound by gratitude, much as I am devoted by attachment and affection to my sovereign, and by the lively and respectful sense of the honours and favours which he has for a long time continued to heap on me, yet, my lords, I will declare, and I trust my declaration will obtain belief from your lordships, that I shall never be influenced by those favours, or any earthly consideration whatever, to act in opposition to my judgment, or in any way unbecoming the high situation that the partiality of his majesty has placed me in.——My lords, when I accepted that situation, I made a covenant with myself, never to continue in it longer than I could with service to my sovereign, with service to my country, and with satisfaction to my heart and to my feelings. I possess no situation that I wish to retain, I do not wish to obtain any situation that I may acquire, upon any other than those fair, conscientious, and constitutional grounds. In what has fallen from the noble earl, I am convinced he has acted from a sense of what he conceives to be his duty as a member of the legislature: I am willing to believe he has been actuated by no motives personal to me; I am sure, I am convinced, my lords, he has not. I feel, perhaps, stronger than the noble earl has described it, the weight of that great responsibility under which I act, and I will not hesitate to become answerable for this legislative measure, which I and other noble lords joined with me in the commission, are, as representatives of one of the estates of parliament, about to sanction.

Richmond Temporary Theatre.

This evening, Wednesday, May 2, 1804, will be performed the Comedy of

SPEED THE PLOUGH.

To which will be added the Musical Farce of

NO SONG NO SUPPER.

☞ *Doors to be opened at half past five, and performance to begin at half past six o'clock.*

Sales at Auction,

TO CLOSE A CONSIGNMENT.

WILL be sold by the subscribers, on Tuesday the 15th instant, (positively without reserve) for notes with approved security, at ninety days, the following Articles:

14 *hhds. brown Sugar.*
5 *Barrels,* } *Pimento.*
5 *Bags,* }
4 *Cases 7-8 and 4-4 Irish Linen.*
1 *ditto Pullicat Handkerchiefs.*
4 *Bales India Cottons.*
2 *ditto British Oznaburgs.*
5 *Cases gentlemen's best London Hats.*
1 *ditto ladies' Straw Bonnets.*
5 *pieces French Cambrick.*
40 *doz. Kid Gloves.*
2 *Cases Writing and Printing Paper.*
20 *Boxes China.*

THOMAS TAYLOR & Co. v. m.

Richmond, May 1, 1804 tds.

The Subscriber,

Intending to leave this state for a short time, and having on hand a valuable stock of

CONSIGNED GOODS,

WHICH he is directed to close sales of,—the same will be sold at public auction, at his store on the Main street, by Scruffer and Moncure, on Wednesday the 9th May, evening, at 11 o'clock, on a credit of four months for all sums above twenty dollars, for approved indorsed notes, viz:

23 *hhds. brown Sugar, of superior quality.*
6 — *green Coffee.*
2 *Tons German Steel.*
400 *Pieces India Cotton.*
27 — *best Ticklenburg.*
25 *doz. ½lb. and 1lb. Bottles Snuff.*
3 *Boxes Castile Soap.*
7 *Pieces Sheeting.*
600 *Demijohns.*
25 *Pieces Linen Checks.*
10 — *Flanders Sail Duck.*
17 *Setts Damask Table Cloths and Napkins.*
Bandannos, Nankeens, Lustrings, Sewing Silk, &c. &c.

Samuel Myers.

Richmond, April 30, 1804. tds.

Notice.

THE second dividend of the estate and effects of Wight & Harris, that was to be made on the 28th inst. agreeable to notice given for that purpose, is unavoidably postponed until Friday the 4th day of May next.

Ro. Brooke, S. C.

Commissioners' Office, April 28, 1804.

FOR SALE,

A LIKELY BOY about ten years old, and two WOMEN with their children; one of whom has two, and the other three. Enquire of

The PRINTER.

Richmond, April 30, 1804.

Gun-stocks.

THE subscriber will receive proposals until the 17th of August next, for furnishing at the public manufactory of arms, any number of musket-stocks (of good black walnut wood) not exceeding fifteen thousand. All the trees for which, to be felled in the latter end of the ensuing fall; and the delivery of the stocks to commence in the course of the next winter.

John Clarke.

April 27, 1804. *eawtd17 Ap.*

NOTICE.

THIS is to forwarn all persons from taking an assignment of a bond, given by me with James Vaughan security, to Robert H. Saunders and Daniel Wade, executors of Major Powers, deceased, for one hundred and ninety two pounds, bearing date the 14th day of January, 1804, and made payable the 15th of January, 1805; which said bond was assigned by the said ex'ors to George Perkins, a legatee of Major Powers, dec. as I consider that I have fully paid off the said Perkins by a decree of the high court of chancery, as the said Perkins was to pay me one hundred and fifty-six pounds one shilling one penny farthing, with interest, and two other bonds amounting to forty two pounds twelve shillings, given to the said Perkins, which he was to have given credit on the bond aforesaid, with the express promise he would settle the £156. 1. 1 1-4 with me.

Anderson Peers.

April 29, 1804. 1p

BY virtue of a decree of the Hustings Court of the city of Richmond, against William Whelen, son and heir at law of Richard Whelen, dec. which said William Whelen being an infant under the age of 21 years, is represented by John Brooke, his guardian, specially assigned by the court to defend him in this suit, and David Patterson and John Buchanan, heir at law of Alexander Buchanan, dec. will be sold, to the highest bidder, on the premises, for cash, on the 5th day of May next,

One Lot of Ground,

No. 396, to satisfy a debt due to William Wickham, executor of A. Ronald, deceased, and the said David Patterson and John Buchanan, in whom the equitable title lies, are directed to convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers, agreeable to the decree aforesaid.

James Whitelaw, Sgt.

April 24, 1804.

For Sale,

At William Prichard's and Samuel Pleasants's BOOK-STORES,

A FEW Pamphlets concerning the laws against Gaming and Gamesters.

April 27.

ROBERT GAMBLE & SON,

Are receiving by the ship *Fame*, and other arrivals from Europe, a general assortment of

Merchandize,

SUITABLE to the season, which they are disposed to sell on moderate terms, for Cash, Country produce, or, to *punctual customers*, on the usual credit.

Having a large and convenient WARE-HOUSE calculated to store FLOUR, &c. those who may consign Country Produce, &c. to *their* care, are assured, that their endeavours will be used to give general, satisfaction, and their charge for storage, &c. will be reasonable.

Richmond, 17th October, 1803.

The business heretofore carried on under the firm of ROBERT POLLOK & Co. in this place, will from the first of April next be conducted under that of POLLOK, TREDWAY & Co.

Manchester, March 28, 1804.

The Broad-Rock Jockey Club Races

WILL commence on Tuesday the 8th day of May, and will continue four days. The first day the Jockey Club Purse of 400 dollars, 4 mile heats; 2d day, the Proprietor of the Field's Purse of 200 dollars, 3 mile heats; the 3d day, the Jockey Club Cup of 100 dollars value, 2 mile heats, free for all ages; no person permitted to start for the Cup but members of the Club, and for their only benefit. The 4th day, a Sweepstakes for 4 years old Colts and Fillies, 2 mile heats—Entrance 100 dollars, half forfeit. The subscription to close on the 15th day of April; 4 subscribers, or no race. The weights and rules for these races are agreeably to the Richmond Jockey Club Rules—Weights as below.

Aged Horses,	133*lbs.*	
6 *years old*,	123	*Mares and Geldings allowed 5lbs.*
5 *years old*,	113	
4 *years old*,	100	
3 *years old*,	90	

The treasurer requests the members of the Club to be punctual in paying up their subscriptions on or before the day of running.

Thomas Cheatham, *Treasurer.*

☞ The members of the Club are requested to meet at the Broad-Rock Course the day preceding the Jockey Club Purse, at 4 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of making some regulations for the different days running.

March 29th, 1804.

Lost or Mislaid.

THE following Certificate of navy stock of the United States, standing on the books of John Hopkins, Esq. Commissioner of Loans, has been lost or mislaid, viz.

No. 53, dated 29th October, 1799, Navy 6 per cent. Stock,—100 dollars.

Which certificate is signed by John Hopkins, commissioner of loans, state of Virginia. Notice is hereby given, that application will be made for a renewal of the above certificate agreeable to law. Any person who can give me information of the said certificate, shall be generously rewarded.

JAMES CURRIE.

Richmond, March 20, 1804.

FAMILY FLOUR.

A CONSTANT supply of FLOUR, of a superior quality, for family use kept for sale by

GEORGE WATT.

Richmond, March 5, 1804. tf.

4439 Acres of valuable

L A N D,

IN the south of Kentucky, the greater part Military, will be sold for good bonds or exchanged for property in the state of Virginia. Enquire of the Printer hereof.

December 20th, 1803.

IT is proposed to be run for on Friday the 11th day of May next, being the 4th day of the Broad Rock Races, an elegant GELDING, price 300 dollars. free for any saddle nag, running mile heats with catches on each, entrance agreeable to the number of horses to start; 6 subscribers or no race. Subscription to close the evening of the second days race.

THE Subscribers having mutually agreed to separate and forever remain apart as man and wife, the public are thus requested to take notice, that the undersigned Robt Campbell is not to be liable or in any manner responsible for any debt hereafter to be contracted by the undersigned Ann Campbell, or otherwise accountable for her conduct; it having been mutually agreed by articles of separation, that each of us, shall in future be and remain absolved from all ties of matrimony as fully, completely and effectually, as though they never had been solemnized, as far as the laws, usages and customs of the Commonwealth will admit of.

ROBT'T CAMPBELL.
ANN CAMPBELL.

Teste,
JOHN WALKER.

Richmond, April 10, 1804.

For Sale,

A VERY valuable tract of *LAND*, in Frederick county, Virginia, bordering with rich low ground, on the Shenandoah river, just above Berry's Ferry.

This land may be purchased all together, or in small parcels from 50 to 250 acres. The terms of payment are, one fourth on the first of January next, when possession will be given; the remainder in three equal annual payments, to carry interest from that day: approved security will be required. Apply to the subscriber, who will be in Frederick, the months of May and October next—the intermediate time in Amherst county.

Thomas Massie.

March 19th, 1804. 3m.

THE Subscriber will receive until the 14th day of next month, at the public manufactory of arms,

PROPOSALS

for furnishing the commonwealth of Virginia, for the Cavalry thereof, Six Hundred pair of HOLSTERS, and Six Hundred SWORD BELTS.

He will also receive, until the above date, Proposals for erecting a HOUSE in the city of Richmond, for the preservation of public Ordnance.

JOHN CLAKE.

March 20th, 1804. 114May

(By Authority.)

SCHEME OF A

LOTTERY,

To build an Academy in the city of Richmond.

				Dollars.
1	Prize—last drawn ticket, having a blank to its number,			20,000
1	do.			10,000
1	do.			5,000
5	do.	of 1,000	make	5,000
6	do.	of 500	——	3,000
10	do.	of 200	——	2,000
20	do.	of 100	——	2,000
100	do.	of 50	——	5,000
250	do.	of 30	——	7,500
420	do.	of 25	——	10,500
1,500	do.	of 20	——	30,000
3,000	do.	of 15	——	45,000
1	first drawn ticket after 1,000, having a blank to its number,			250
1	do.	after 2,000	do.	250
1	do.	after 3,000	do.	250
1	do.	after 4,000	do.	250
1	do.	after 5,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 6,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 8,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 10,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 12,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 13,000	do.	500
1	do.	after 14,000	do.	1,000
5,325	Prizes,			150,000
9,675	Blanks—not two to a Prize.			
15,000	Tickets at 10 Dollars each,			150,000

N. B.—Prizes subject to a deduction of 15 per cent.

This Lottery has been authorized by the Legislature of Virginia, for the laudable purpose of erecting a seminary of learning in or near the metropolis of this state. With this view it is contemplated to raise 90,000 dollars, and 2,500 dollars in addition, for defraying the expences attendant on drawing the Lottery. Citizens of the first respectability have been selected as trustees, and they have pledged themselves to use their utmost exertions to carry it into effect. The scheme has the advantage of giving to each adventurer, a chance for some very large prizes, whilst the proportion of prizes to blanks, is so great as to invite the friends of the intended institution to partake of the lottery, with little risk of their becoming losers. The treasurer of the state is to be appointed to receive the money for the tickets as they are sold, and to pay the amount of the prizes to the fortunate adventurers. It is believed that the above considerations will induce a rapid sale of tickets, and the drawing will commence as soon as a sufficient number shall be sold to authorize it—which it is believed will be on the second Monday in December next.

Richmond, January 31, 1804. tf.

*** TICKETS to be had of Robert Pollard, Dr. John Brockenbrough, jun. Wm. Price, (Reg.) Samuel Pleasants, jun. and William Prichard.

Westham Iron Foundery,

NEAR RICHMOND.

THE subscriber takes the liberty of informing the Public, that he has taken a lease, and is at present working, the above Foundery; and having provided the best artists in that line, from New-York and George-Town, together with Pig Iron, of the first quality, proposes to cast, Mill Gudgeons and Inks, of every description; also, cast Iron Wheels for the Machinery of Mills; Rumford, registered and plain Grates; grate front and bottoms, for Rumfordizing fire places; large and small stoves; Franklin Stoves, for wood or coal; kitchen grates, with crane and range complete; coach-warmers; plain stoves and maul'd plates; cast railing of every pattern, plowshares & plow boards; cast coach, phæton and chair boxes; scale weights from 1 to 60 lb; sash and clock weights: patent saw irons for smiths, on a very approved plan; backs, jams and back lays; nail cutting machines with screws complete, wheel barrow bowlers; garden ditto; cast iron anvils; fire dogs and hand irons of every description—together with any other article in the casting line, to a given pattern, at the shortest notice, by application at the furnace, or to

JAMES DUNLAP, in Richmond.

March 24th, 1804. w3m.

P. S. Old Iron purchased by application as above.

TO BE SOLD

For Ready Money,

IN pursuance of a Deed of Trust, from David Ross, Esq. in order to raise the sum of 5974 dolls. 59 cents, with interest at 5 per cent. from the 12th of September, 1803, till payment—it being the balance due on the three first instalments of a debt due from the said David Ross to the trustees of James Dunlop, deceased, under a decree of the high court of chancery, and secured by deed of trust; the following LANDS, LOTS & TENEMENTS, or such part of them as may be necessary to raise the sum aforesaid, with the charges and expences of sale, an estate or plantation in Goochland, called COLES, containing by estimation, fifteen hundred acres, be the same more or less, lying on the waters of Byrd creek, and purchased by the said Ross of the representatives of James Coles, of William Cole, and of John Hughes, and adjoining the lands of Richard Adams and S. Richardson, according to its known boundaries as held by the said Ross. Also, an estate or plantation, all or the greater part of which is in the county of Fluvanna, known by the name of MOUNT PROSPECT—containing by estimation, twelve hundred acres, more or less, adjoining the lands of James Quarles and Joseph Haden. Also the following lots in the town of Columbia and county of Fluvanna, to wit: Lot, No. 63, on which the ware-house is built—lot, No. 75, on which is a store now or late in the occupation of J. Forbes—and lot, No. 74, now or late in the occupation of J. Strother.

The sale will take place at John Napier's Tavern, in the town of Columbia, on Saturday the 19th day of May next—and the lands and tenements aforesaid, will be set up in that order which shall appear best to suit the purchasers, and most beneficial to the parties interested.

John Wickham,
Benj. Mosby, } *Trustees.*
Geo. Greenhow,

Richmond, 17th April, 1804.

William M'Cay,

CLOCK AND WATCH-MAKER,

Main-street—Richmond,

TAKES this method to inform the Public, that he has just received by a late arrival from Europe, a large and General assortment of

Gold and Silver Watches,

among which are elegant repeating Watches; Ladies' Gold do. Also, an elegant assortment of Seals, Keys, Chains, Watch Maker's Tools and Materials, &c. He has likewise a few good CLOCKS for sale—all of which he offers to dispose of on as reasonable terms, for cash, as they can be purchased in any part of the United States.

He returns his sincere thanks to his friends for the liberal encouragement he has met with since his residence in this city.

*** CLOCKS and WATCHES repaired on the shortest notice.

Richmond, April 14th, 1804. ep8w.

The Public

ARE hereby informed, that the subscriber is prepared with an excellent SEINE, which will be employed the whole of this season, at the well known Shad and Herring Fishery at Varina, twelve miles below Richmond. The road that leads to this Fishery is plainer and better, than the road leading to any other Fishery on James river below this city. His prices for fish will be as follow; thirty-three shillings and four pence per hundred for Shad, or six pence a peace for a smaller quantity. For Herrings, twenty shillings per thousand. He will keep a regular supply of salt and barrels for the accommodation of those that may be disposed to purchase fish by the quantity.

Moses Bates.

Henrico, March 20th, 1804. tf.

BY virtue of a deed of trust made to the subscriber by Philip Taliaferro, dec. of the county of Gloucester, for the payment of certain debts therein specified, will be sold on Friday the 25th day of May next, for ready money, on the premises, an undivided three fourths of

A Tract of Land,

called Etrix Banks, the whole of which tract is four hundred acres, lying on York-River, in the county of Gloucester beautifully situated, subject to the claim of Mrs. E. Taliaferro.

WM. JONES, Trustee.

April 20, 1804.

Fifty Dollars Reward.

ELOPED from Mr. Andrew Scott's of Chesterfield, about the first of November last, JIM, a Negro man I purchased of one of the legatees of the late Andrew Scott. Jim is a small fellow, of a yellow complexion, about thirty years of age, is well known in the neighbourhood of Messrs. James and Andrew Scott, where he was raised, and where he is frequently seen; has a wife in the same neighborhood, the property of Mrs. Winfrey. The above reward will be paid by captain William Austin of Richmond, on the delivery of said slave in the Richmond jail, accompanied with Mr. James Scott's certificate, certifying the said slave to be the same I purchased of Mr. Thomas Scruggs.

WILLIAM MITCHELL.

Liberty, 8th *April*, 1804.

Valuable Land for Sale.

THE Subscriber offers for sale 2442 Acres of Land, lying on Roanoke River, in the county of Mecklenburg, and generally known by the name of the Occoneechee.

The uncommon fertility of this Tract of Land, and its advantageous situation, by which it is convenient to the improving navigation of the River, together with the liberal credit, on which it is to be sold, must make it a very important object to those who are inclined to purchase Lands. The quantity of low-grounds in the Occoneechee Island, which is separated from the main land by a small and narrow stream, is 364 Acres, and on the main land adjoining, about 150 Acres, all of which is of excellent quality. By far the greater part of the remainder of the tract is very rich, being well adapted to the cultivation of tobacco, corn, wheat &c. A large proportion is in woods, and heavily timbered. The whole tract is at present divided into three tenements; leased to several tenants, whose leases will expire in three years from the first day of January next. The tenements are in a tolerably good state of improvement, and the rent amounts to 112l. per annum. The subscriber will sell the whole together, or either of those tenements separately, as may best suit the purchasers. The terms of sale are one sixth part of the money to be paid on the first day of January next, and the balance in five equal annual payments, bonds and good security being given, and the punctuality of payment ensured by deeds of trust on the land. On the Occoneechee Island, and at the end of Baker's Island, opposite to it, are two fisheries, belonging to the subscriber, and to be sold with the land, which have been accounted the best on the River, and with the labour of a few hands a short time, might now be made valuable. A farther description of this land and its improvements is supposed to be unnecessary, as persons desirous of purchasing will naturally chuse to view it, and judge for themselves.

If the whole tract, or any of the tenements should not be disposed of by private contract before the 17th day of September next, it will be sold on that day, being the 3d Monday in the month, if fair, if not, on the next fair day, at the store of Wm. Birchett, & Co. adjacent to the premises, at public sale, to the highest bidder, on the terms above mentioned. An accurate plot of the land will be shewn, and unquestionable titles made to the purchasers by

WM. MUNFORD

Richland, Mecklenburg County, April 11th, 1804. tf.

TO BE LET,

On building leases, three beautiful, airy and elevated situations for Dwelling Houses. To any gentleman in the mercantile line, or other occupation, who wishes a pleasant and agreeable residence for his family, either of these sites would be truly desirable, as they are contiguous to the scene of active business, while they are at the same time removed from the dust and noise of the city. Enquire at the office of this Gazette.

April 23, 1804.

☞ An experienced, sober and active GARDENER will hear of an advantageous situation by application as above.—None of opposite character need apply.

Blank Bonds

For sale at this office.

DIOMED.

This extraordinary horse, in as high health and vigour as he has ever been.

WILL stand the next season at my stable, on James River, three miles below Richmond, at SIXTY DOLLARS the season, dischargeable by FIFTY if paid before the 10th of Aug st, when the season will expire. Excellent pasturage, securely enclosed, *gratis*. Seperate enclosures will be provided for the Mares, according to their situation, and grain furnished at the market price. Every attention shall be paid to the Mares; but no liability for escapes or accidents of any kind.

DIOMED has unquestionably been one of the best racers on the English turf. At three years old he was winner seven times, without being beaten, although he contended with the best horses then running.—Among his races of that year he won a sweepstakes of 500 guineas each—He won the great Darby stakes at Epsom, which are the most important in the kingdom—giving to the winner more credit than any that are run in England. His winnings that year amounted to 5125 guineas.

At four years old he received forfeit from the brother of Mopsqueezer for 500 guineas He won the Fortesque stakes, eleven subscribers of 30 guineas each. Over the Beacon course he won the Claret stakes, of 200 guineas each; beating seven capital horses, and receiving forfeit from seven others. His winnings this year amounted to 2580 guineas. At five years old he fell lame and did not start. At six years old, carrying 168 pounds, at three heats, he won the King's plate at Guilford. He ran also for the King's plate at Lewes, which he would have won had he not fallen lame. This year he also ran for two other King's plates; and although injured, was the second horse for each—They were won by Anvil and Drone, at that time the two best horses on the English turf. He never started after he was six, but kept as a Stallion, and ranked among the best in England, as by reference to the Racing Calendar—the following Certificate will be proven.

I hereby certify, the Chesnut horse DIOMED, purchased of me, by Messrs. Lamb & Younger, won the Derby stakes at Epsom—the Claret stakes at New Market, and many other prizes as may be seen in the Racing Calendars. He is the sire of Grey Diomed, Quitlavaca, Lais, (the dam of Lord Clermont's Spoliator) Grey Hound, Monkey, Anthony, Glaucus, Wrangler, Cedar, Poplar, and many other good racers.

GREY DIOMED, at three years old, was sold by me to Mr. Fox, for 700 guineas. Mr. Fox afterwards sold him with his engagements, to the Duke of Bedford, for 2700 guineas Several others of his get have been sold at large prices.

THO'S CHARLES BUNBURY.

In addition to the above flatement, let his Colts in Virginia, now three years old, prove his excellence and unrivalled superiority over all the Stallions in America.

Madeira—won the Wine stakes at Fairfield in May last, two mile heats, beating Bucephalus (now called Schedoni) and Mr. Hoome's B. C. Daredevil.

Peacemaker—the sweepstakes of 140 guineas, at Mr. Varell's, and since purchased by Mr. Hoomes.

Diomeda—the property of Mr. Cocke, the sweepstakes at Fairfield, in May, beating Mr Randolph's *Wiltonia*, by Stirling, and Mr. Taylor's Bay Colt, by Gabriel; the rest paid forfeit.

Lavinia—the first day's sweepstakes at Petersburg, in May last.

Mr. Bland's Chesnut Colt, the second day's sweepstakes, of 100 dollars each.

Topgallant—the post sweepstake at Broad Rock in September, which entitled a Colt to the greatest credit.

Lavinia—the sweepstakes at Fredericksburg, in October, the largest amount ever run for in America, twenty subscribers, 200 dollars each—nine started, the rest paid forfeit.

Top Gallant—the sweepstakes in Petersburg in Oct.

Mr. Drummond's Filly, the sweepstakes, at Scotland Neck, North Carolina—thirty subscribers,

Vingt-Un—the property of Col. Hampton, only 3 years old, the Gold Cup at Washington, four miles, beating Col. Hoome's Volunteer, by Bedford; Mr. Taylor's Skyscraper, by Alderman; and Gen. Pudgley's Financier; and was immediately purchased by Mr. Lloyd, of Maryland, for 2750 dollars.

Exclusive of the above, many others of his Colts have been winners during the present year.

PEDIGREE.

DIOMED, was got by Florizel, (one of the best sons of King Herod) his dam by Spectator, (sister to Juno, [the dam of Dragon, and Young Eclipse]) his granddam (sister to Horatius, by Black) his great grand dam, Fetaher's dam, and full sister to the grand dam of Cygnet and Blossom, by Childers, out of Miss Belvoir, by Grey Grantham, Paget, Turk, Betley Percival, Leeds, Arabian, &c.

MILES SELDEN, SEN.

TREE HILL, Dec. 26th, 1803.

MESSRS. *Pickering, Snell*, and two other persons, of the name of *Gale*, supposed to be residents of the state of *South Carolina*, or *Georgia*, who went to *Baltimore*, some time in July or August last, to purchase *Slaves*, are desired to take NOTICE that BEN, who they bought of *Abraham Ware* of *Hartford county* in *Maryland*, is now in the *Jail* of this city, as a *Runaway*. He formerly belonged to *Peter Poteet* of *Baltimore*, and afterwards to a Mr. *John Street* of *Hartford county*, who sold him to Mr. WARE. He is about, active, strong, well looking very black man, of about 26 or 27 years of age, and 5 feet 8 inches high. He says that, in September last, he and about 25 or 30 others were landed out of a Frenchman, at *Southport* on *James River*, and marched by the above persons, into South Carolina and Georgia, and that *Pickering* sold him somewhere about 50 or 60 miles on the other side of the South Carolina line, to a farmer of the name of HOLBERT, who owned a mill. He staid but a few days with his new master before he set off to the *Northward*, under the assumed name of *Bob Benfield*. The subscriber has received a letter from a gentleman in Baltimore corroborative of the above, and who has known him some years. His owner is requested to come or send for him, and on producing such credentials as the law requires, will be delivered on payment of fees and this advertisement, by

William Rose.

Richmond, Feb. 16, 1804.